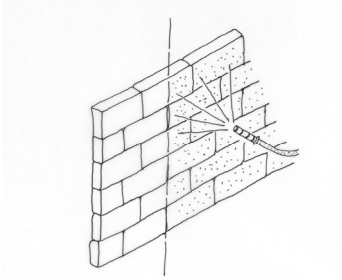
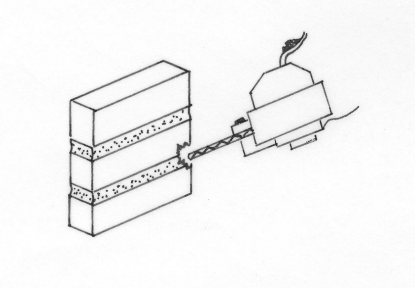
BRICKWORK AND MORTAR: Illustrations

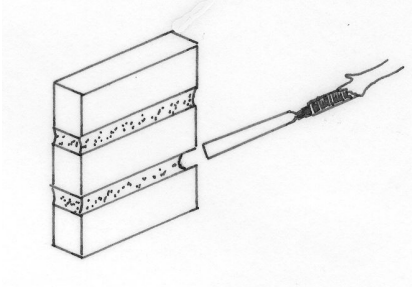
Abrasive Cleaning is Not Allowed



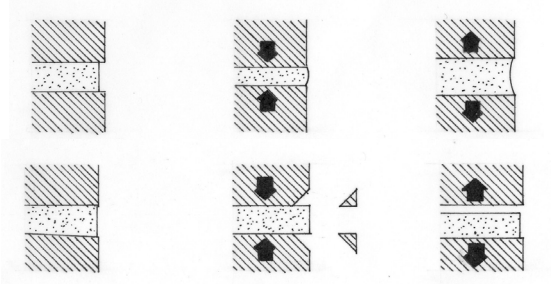
Mortar Should Not be Removed with Power Tools



Always Clean Joints with Hand Tools



New Mortar Must Be Soft to Allow for Expansion and Contraction of Existing Bricks



5. CHIMNEYS

Chimneys often feature decorative brickwork or designs which contribute to a building's architectural character. For some Tudor Revival and Craftsman dwellings, chimneys on the front of the house are important to its style. Chimneys should be maintained in accordance with the brick and mortar guidelines.

A. which are readily visible may be retained and restored or replicated if original. Chimneys on rear facades or facades not readily visible from the street may be removed if in deteriorated condition.

B. should be repointed and cleaned according to masonry guidelines to match original materials, colors, shape, and brick pattern. If chimneys have been extensively repointed resulting in mismatched colors and textures, painting the chimney dark red or brown is appropriate.

C. should match their original design if they have to be rebuilt.

D. should have clay, slate, or stone caps.

E. should be made of masonry materials and should not be covered with siding, stucco or other veneers.